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Reply to Requirement for Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. § 1.121

Remarks

The following remarks are responsive to the October 5, 2007 Requirement for Restriction. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Requirement for reasons which follow.

Examiner's Requirement for Restriction

A Preliminary Amendment, in which the original PCT claims were cancelled, and Claims 1-11 were added, was filed on May 5, 2006. The Examiner's Requirement for Restriction appears to be based on the original seven (7) PCT claims (see, for example, the requirement to select a solvent from pending Claim 4, which does not list any solvents). Accordingly, Applicants are unable to respond to the Action.

Applicants believe a new Action in this case is proper. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to issue an Action directed to pending Claims 1-11.

Fees

A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and requisite fee are enclosed. No additional fees are believed due, but the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees deemed due (or credit any balance) to Deposit Account No. 50-1177.

Respectfully submitted,

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